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ABSTRACT

This book is intended to assist teachers in dealing with sensitive and controversial topics in secondary U.S. history classes. The book explores topics such as gender, race, Vietnam, and civil rights. It provides specific lessons teachers can use to study conflict. All manner of resources are explained, with an emphasis on how to access those resources and use them effectively in instruction. There are templates for the activities as well as critical thinking worksheets, film synopses, and other tips. Following a preface and a foreword, the book is divided into these chapters: "Introduction: The Challenge of Conflict"; (1) "Of Things Revolutionary: Lexington, Concord, and Beyond"; (2) "Survivors of Custer's Last Stand Indians, Anglos, and the West"; (3) "The Central Dilemma: Race in American History"; (4) "America's Second Reconstruction: 1954-1968, Exploring the Civil Rights Movement"; (5) "Gender and the American Past"; and (6) "Remembering Vietnam." Contains general references; templates and other materials are in the following appendixes: (A) "The West"; (B) "Custer/Battle of the Little Bighorn Unit Material"; (C) "Civil Rights Movement Film Synopses"; (D) "Vietnam Material"; (E) "Historical Head Template"; and (F) "Rubric Reference Page." (BT)

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